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SIR:

In response to the Election of Species Requirement dated September 10, 2007,
Applicants elect without traverse Species I directed to Claims 1-6, 12-15, and 21-22,
corresponding to Figures 1-10. Applicants make this election based on the understanding that
Applicants are not prejudiced against filing one or more divisional applications that cover the
non-elected claims.

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Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that an examination on the merits of Claims

1-6, 12-15, and 21-22 be conducted.

Respectfully submitted,

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